

THE WATTLE

breath.

God of every breath,
We love to see the wattle in bloom,
The harbinger of spring.
Its arrival brightens up our winter gloom.
It can be uncomfortable too
Often indicating that hayfever is in the air.
Nothing reminds us of the gift of breath so much as when breathing is difficult.
Wearing masks during the pandemic reminded many of us
Of the beauty of air, the grace of every easy

Jesus breathed on his friends to receive the Holy Spirit.

May our every breath draw the
Spirit deeper into our being
And free us from all fear.

- Michael McGirr

LEAVING A GIFT IN YOUR WILL

All Saints Parish has been present at most of the important milestones in your life: your Baptism, your First Communion, at times of great celebration and at times of great sadness.

By leaving a gift to your Parish in your Will, you will leave a legacy of faith – a legacy to help ensure that the mission and pastoral outreach that has been important to you will continue both for today's needs and for those of our children, our grandchildren and beyond.

If you would like to receive a weekly copy of "The Spire" by email, please send us an email and we can add you to a list of subscribers

Prayer After Communion: (For Minsters to the Home-bound)

God my creator breathe on me again, renew me, refresh me, extend my abilities, comfort me in adjusting to changes in health, mobility and activity.

Body and Blood of Jesus Christ flow through every fibre of my being.

Keep me well, and hope filled always.

Holy Spirit use me in my situation, for the good of others. Amen.

Our Finance

Planned Giving for Parish Account

Given last week, inc. EFT: \$1,198

Target \$62,400

Total YTD 2018/19 \$ 22,245 Total YTD 2017/18 \$ 24,098

Direct deposit payments for planned giving and donations can be made electronically. Details are as follows:

Account Name: Portland Catholic Church

BSB: 083 532

Account No. 5159 81661

Presbytery Account

Priest support: inc. EFT \$866

Direct deposit payments for the presbytery account can be made electronically. Details are as follows:

Account Name: All Saints Presbytery Portland

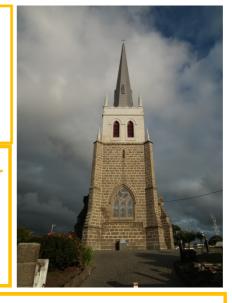
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Account No. 24476 6002



22nd November 2019

Christ, King of the Universe Time Year A



Weekday Services 27/11 to 29/11

Friday: 10.00am Mass Saturday Vigil 06.00pm Mass

Sunday 10.30am Mass

Please contact by phoning/texting Fr Gregory 0475512530 if you wish to attend a Mass

Recent Deaths:

David James May

Anniversaries:

Esteban Cresencia, Kevin Willey, David Meehan, Nathar Johnston, Henry Sumner, Matthew O'Halloran, John Finnegan, Una Gladman, Bob Stuchbery, Sr Liz Johnson, Donald Stuchberry, Ian McNamarra, Rev. Justin Woodward

Prayer Requests:

Margaret Couttie, Noela Clifford, Les Hildebrand, Nicky Schultz, Claire Jesser, Lea-anne Bourke, Rudy Legray, Michelle Mutch

If you have any prayer requests please contact Antonella at the Parish Office; for privacy reasons only <u>Next of Kin</u> may ask for names to be added: Thank you

Remembrance for Holy Souls

During November if you would like to have the names of deceased family and friends recorded please email the Parish Office portland@ballarat.catholic.org.au or text details to mobile 0417 269 190.

This year due to Covid19 restrictions we will not have the Remembrance book available to record names, however we will publish the names each week on the Spire on a dedicated remembrance page.

"The Spire"

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All Saints Parish is committed to Child Safety - our Child Safety Policy and Code of Conduct are on display on the Parish website and noticeboard in the Tower Entrance of the Church.

Psalm 22

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose.

Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name.

You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing.

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell

for ever and ever.

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The English translation of the Psalm Responses, the Alleluia and the Gospel verses, are from the Lectionary for Mass © 1997, 1981, 1968, International Committee on English in the Liturgy, Inc. All rights reserved.

Remembrance for Holy Souls

Deceased members of the Tait & Perry families Deceased members of the Institute of the Blessed Virgin Mary Deceased members of the Costa, Tripodi & Webbstock families George Horovitz, Elizabeth Kearney, John Kearney Deceased members of the Anderson, Annand, Murphy and O'Brien families David Meehan Deceased members of the Swiggs and Rowe families Ted, Mary & Greg Pound Esteban Cresancia Mary, Jack and Michael Loftus

All Saints Outreach Op-Shop: (In Target Car park) Phone: 5521 1587

The Parish Outreach Op-Shop is in urgent need of good quality clothing; bric a brac or furniture.

Please ring Outreach for pick up if necessary. Thank you all for your ongoing support of Outreach.

Outreach is open Monday to Friday 10 am - 4pm and Saturdays 10am - 12 mid-day.

Outreach is a significant fundraiser within the Parish and we regularly need Volunteers to give 3 hours in the mornings or afternoons.

Please contact Marg Herbertson at Op-Shop for further information.

Columban Calendar

The Columban Calendar 2021 is available to purchase at the All Saints. Outreach Shop for \$9. Support Missions - It would make an ideal Christmas gift! Get one before they are sold out!



THE POSITIVE EFFECTS OF KINDNESS

Making others feel good with kindness can be really rewarding by making us feel great about our actions as Christians for doing the right thing. Practicing kindness also has a profound effect our own mental & physiological health, helping us to become happier and compassionate towards others. Being kind to others has been known to help boost our own immune system, slow down aging, elevate our self esteem and improve blood pressure.

Both practicing and witnessing acts of kindness can help reduce blood pressure by producing oxytocin, known as the 'love hormone.' Oxytocin causes the release of nitric acid in the blood vessels which effectively expands the blood vessels thus reducing blood pressure.' Self-esteem, a better outlook on life (optimism) and a healthy heart are said to be the benefits of kindness. But it doesn't stop there. Kindness has a positive effect on others that spreads.

Kindness is Contagious. Experiencing an act of kindness can improve our mood, it can make our day and increase the likelihood of spreading that kindness to others.

Exercise Kindness. "It's kind of like weight training, we found that people can actually build up their compassion 'muscle' and respond to others' suffering with care and a desire to help." Dr. Ritchie Davidson, University of Wisconsin.

HERE IS A LIST ON THE POSITIVE EFFECTS OF KINDNESS ON OUR MENTAL HEALTH

- Pain kindness releases endorphins in the brain. It's a natural painkiller.
- Stress kind people age slower and have lower stress than the average person.
- Anxiety & Depression kindness improves mood, depression and anxiety. Kindness stimulates
 the production of serotonin which heals wounds, calms and increases happiness.
- Blood Pressure kindness helps release oxytocin, a 'cardio protective' hormone that releases another chemical called 'nitric oxide in the body that dilates blood vessel, thus reducing blood pressure.
- Pleasure elevated levels of dopamine in the brain causes pleasure/reward centres to light up. This is known as the 'helpers high.'
- Self-Worth kindness can make us not just feel good about ourselves, but begin to believe in ourselves, increasing our self-worth. Article from AIFC

Congratulations to Marcello & Margaret Brecely on their 60th wedding anniversary.

Marcello and Margaret were married in All Saints Church 26th November 1960.

"At the heart of marriage is a love nourished by God.

His blessings on your anniversary"

